(c) if so, what action Government have taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) The rates levied by Madras Port Trust are not considered as exorbitant.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Cure of persons paralysed due to consumption of adulterated rapeseed oil in West Bengal

4028. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of people identified so far as the victims due to the consumption of adulterated Rapeseed Oil which rendered them paralysed recently in Behala, West Bengal;

(b) the follow up measures the Central Government have taken to cure the victims, in the wake of his visit to Behala;

(c) whether the same phenomenon have been witnessed elsewhere in Bengal; and

(d) whether Government propose to send any medical team to treat the affected persons ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Since the middle of July last, a total of 585 persons have been affected by consumption of adulterated rapeseed oil in Calcutta.

(b) The Hon'ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare visited hospitals and discussed the matter with the Government of West Bengal. Medicine worth of Rs. one lakh were handed over to Government of West Bengal. Facilities for testing the samples of oil lifted by West Bengal Government were provided in the Central Food Laboratory, Government of India.

(c) Some persons were also affected in Regent Park and Tollygunj area, due to consumption of adulterated rapeseed oil.

(d) No such request was received from Government of West Bengal for sending medical team from Centre.

Medical facilities in Rural Areas

4029. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the study conducted recently by ICMR 50 per cent of the villages in the country are situated 20 kms. away from the nearest PHC;

(b) what has been the coverage to ensure Health for All by 2000 A.D.; and

(c) whether each Health Guide is still working per 200 population in the villages to provide basic medical facilities to the rural poors ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) Yes, Sir. According to study conducted by ICMR in some villages of Haryana and Madhya Pradesh, approximately 50 per cent of the villages were situated 20 kms. away from the nearest PHC.

(b) Against the total requirement of 1.30 lacs Sub-Centres, 21,666 Primary Health Centres and 5416 Community Health Centres. 109644 Sub-Centres, 16449 PHCs and 1425 Community Health Centres have been established as on 31st March, 1988.

(c) A village Health Guide is selected for 1000 population or per village to provide basic facilities.

Implementation of three language formula in schools

4030. SHRI P. N. SUKUL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of the States which have not adopted the three language formula in their school education system so far;

(b) whether the question of implementation of the formula in the respective States was discussed at the conference of State Education Secretaries, held in Delhi recently;

(c) if so, what are the details of decisions taken in this regard;

(d) whether it was proposed that one South Indian language should be adopted under the three language formula by the Northern States; and

(e) if so, whether any decision on this matter was also taken at the said Conference ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI) : (a) All the States have, in principle, accepted the Three Language Formula except Tamil Nadu which is implementing a two language formula. In the Union Territory of Pondicherry, in the regions of Pondicherry and Karaikal, the two language formula is implemented whereas in Mahe and Yanam, three language formula is implemented. In Assam which had accepted the three language formula, at present a two language formula comprising of the mother tongue as the first language and English as the second language is under implementation.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Conference reiterated the importance of implementing the three language formula meticulously and recommended that the States may avail of facilities provided by the Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Mysore, for inservice training of teachers in third language.

(d) and (e) The three language formula as enunciated in the education Policy requires that a Modern Indian language preferably one of the southern languages apart from Hindi and English should be studied in the schools in Hindi speaking States.

Discovery of deposits of Harappan age in Delhi

4031. SHRI P. N. SUKUL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some deposits of the Harappan age were discovered in Delhi recently;

(b) if so, what are the details of these discoveries; and

(c) whether any schemes are being drawn up to intensify the exploration and excavation work in Delhi ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI) : (a) During the season 1987-88, excavations carriedt out by the Departments of Archaeology, Delhi Administration at Mandoli in the Union Territory of Delhi, brought to light deposits of the late Harappan period.

(b) A mud floor and a few pieces of pottery of the late Harappan period as well as a terracotta object and beads were unerthed during the excavations.

(c) The Department of Archaeology, Delhi Administration, has proposed to intensify the excavations at the ancient site at Mandoli during the year 1988-89.

National Talent Search Scholarships

4032. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received suggestions to delink the National Talent Search Scholarship from the income of the parents of awardees; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and Government's decision thereon, stating the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Suggestions have been made for: